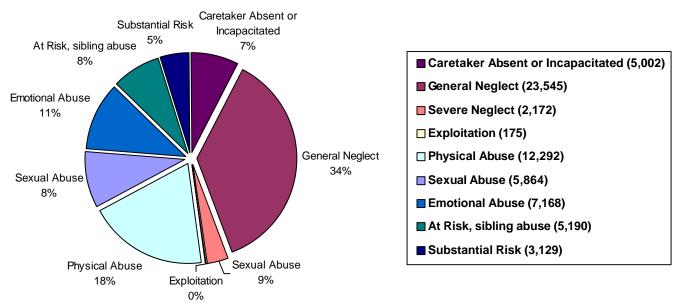
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Child Welfare Services / Caseload Management System (CWS/CMS)

Characteristics of Children Referred for Emergency Response Services: October 2001 (Total: 64,537)

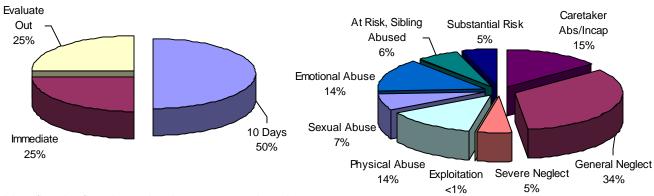
Allegation Types Reported



 General Neglect and Physical Abuse were the most frequently reported abuse allegations and represented over half (52%) of all referrals.

Response Times Assigned to Referrals Received

Substantiated Referrals by Allegations



- Identifies the first determined response assigned to the Referral.
- Approximately 1/2 of the referrals required an immediate response or were evaluated out.
- Response time is based on type and severity of the allegation and is specified in the WIC sections covering Child Welfare Services.
- A total of 45,510 referrals were investigated.
- 11,099 (24%) referrals were substantiated and 34,411 (76%) referrals were found unfounded.
- 59% of substantied referrals were for allegations of Neglect.

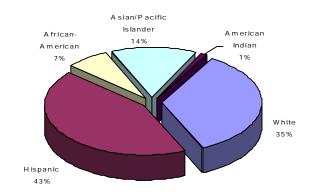
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CWS/CMS 4 Ethnicity and Gender of Children in Referrals Received: October 2001 (Total: 64,537)

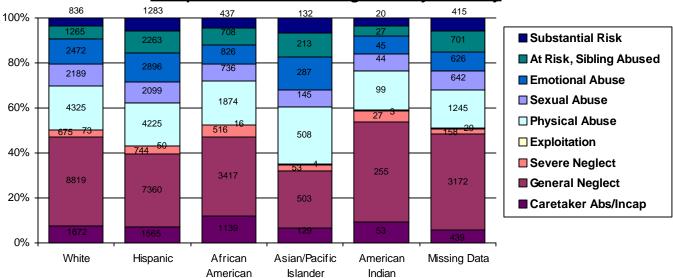
Ethnicity of Children Referred during October 2001

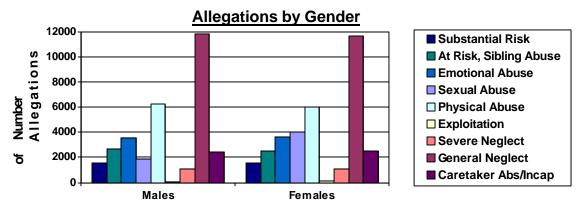
A merican Indian Unknown Islander 1% Ethnicity 11% A fricanA merican 15% White 34%

Ethnicity of Children in General Population of California for year 2000.



Comparison of Abuse Allegations by Ethnicity





• Sexual abuse referrals occurred more frequently with females than with males (3,980 vs. 1,870). All other referral types were nearly equal for males and females.

CWS/CMS 4

Age of Children in Referrals Received:

October 2001 (Total: 64,537)

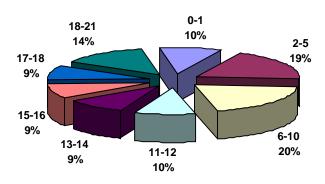
Age of Children in Referrals

30%

Unknown 18-21 Age 0-1 2% 17-18 2% 2-5 9% 21% 15-16 9% 13-14 11% 11-12 6-10

11%

*2000 California Child Population by Age



^{*} Source: State of California, Department of Finance

Distribution of Referral Allegations Among Age Groups

Age

| | | 0-1 | % | 2-5 | % | 6-10 | % | 11-12 | % | 13-14 | % | 15-16 | % | 17-18 | % | 19-21 | % | Unknown Age | % | Total | % |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|-----|-------|-----|----------------|-----|--------|-----|
| Allegation | Caretaker Absent or Incapacitated | 533 | 10.7 | 961 | 19.2 | 1,270 | 25.4 | 526 | 10.5 | 565 | 11.3 | 559 | 11.2 | 310 | 6.2 | 127 | 2.5 | 151 | 3.0 | 5,002 | 100 |
| | General Neglect | 2,699 | 11.5 | 5,518 | 23.4 | 7,163 | 30.4 | 2,507 | 10.6 | 2,180 | 9.3 | 1,786 | 7.6 | 880 | 3.7 | 335 | 1.4 | 477 | 2.0 | 23,545 | 100 |
| | Severe Neglect | 379 | 17.4 | 443 | 20.4 | 585 | 26.9 | 198 | 9.1 | 175 | 8.1 | 130 | 6.0 | 74 | 3.4 | 43 | 2.0 | 145 | 6.7 | 2,172 | 100 |
| | Substantial Risk | 565 | 18.1 | 803 | 25.7 | 877 | 28.0 | 308 | 9.8 | 253 | 8.1 | 203 | 6.5 | 79 | 2.5 | 2 | 0.1 | 39 | 1.2 | 3,129 | 100 |
| | Physical Abuse | 476 | 3.9 | 2,072 | 16.9 | 3,840 | 31.2 | 1,585 | 12.9 | 1,595 | 13.0 | 1,479 | 12.0 | 695 | 5.7 | 297 | 2.4 | 253 | 2.1 | 12,292 | 100 |
| | Sexual Abuse | 91 | 1.6 | 912 | 15.6 | 1,585 | 27.0 | 679 | 11.6 | 876 | 14.9 | 898 | 15.3 | 432 | 7.4 | 201 | 3.4 | 190 | 3.2 | 5,864 | 100 |
| | Emotional Abuse | 762 | 10.6 | 1,756 | 24.5 | 2,224 | 31.0 | 807 | 11.3 | 700 | 9.8 | 572 | 8.0 | 237 | 3.3 | 64 | 0.9 | 46 | 0.6 | 7,168 | 100 |
| | At Risk, Sibling Abuse | 439 | 8.5 | 1,248 | 24.0 | 1,699 | 32.7 | 631 | 12.2 | 520 | 10.0 | 402 | 7.7 | 202 | 3.9 | 42 | 0.8 | 7 | 0.1 | 5,190 | 100 |
| | Exploitation | 6 | 3.4 | 15 | 8.6 | 47 | 26.9 | 20 | 11.4 | 32 | 18.3 | 26 | 14.9 | 16 | 9.1 | 11 | 6.3 | 2 | 1.1 | 175 | 100 |

Total: **64,537**

CWS/CMS 4 Characteristics of Children Referred: October 2001

| | | REFERRALS RECEIVED | | *REFERI | | *REFERRALS ASSESSED ONLY | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----|---------|-----|--------------------------------|-----|--|
| | | Numbers | % | | | | | |
| TOTAL CHILDREN | = | 64,537 | | 45,510 | | 14,007 | | |
| GENDER: | Female | 33,056 | 51% | 22,917 | 50% | 7,397 | 53% | |
| | Male | 31,183 | 48% | 22,436 | 49% | 6,470 | 46% | |
| | Missing Data | 298 | 0% | 157 | 0% | 140 | 1% | |
| ETHNICITY: | White | 22,326 | 35% | 14,991 | 33% | 5,403 | 39% | |
| | Hispanic | 22,536 | 35% | 16,913 | 37% | 3,865 | 28% | |
| | African American | 9,680 | 15% | 6,828 | 15% | 1,768 | 13% | |
| | American Indian | 583 | 1% | 380 | 1% | 152 | 1% | |
| | Asian/Pacific Isl. | 1,906 | 3% | 1,425 | 3% | 314 | 2% | |
| | Missing Data | 7,427 | 12% | 4,915 | 11% | 2,505 | 18% | |
| AGES: | 0-1 | 6,023 | 9% | 4,929 | 11% | 1,093 | 8% | |
| | 2-5 | 13,619 | 21% | 10,714 | 24% | 2,746 | 20% | |
| | 6-10 | 19,333 | 30% | 13,980 | 31% | 3,963 | 28% | |
| | 11-12 | 7,219 | 11% | 4,922 | 11% | 1,579 | 11% | |
| | 13-14 | 6,945 | 11% | 4,547 | 10% | 1,708 | 12% | |
| | 15-16 | 6,115 | 9% | 3,765 | 8% | 1,731 | 12% | |
| | 17-18 | 3,140 | 5% | 1,869 | 4% | 872 | 6% | |
| | 19-21 | 1,152 | 2% | 562 | 1% | 219 | 2% | |
| | Missing Data | 991 | 2% | 222 | 0% | 96 | 1% | |

^{*} Unknown/Conversion Data not included in investigated or assessed referrals (5,009).